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NOTIFICATION OF LOSS OF ENTITLEMENT TO SMALL  
ENTITY STATUS PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.27(g)(2)

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Sir:

Applicant hereby notifies the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office that it is no longer entitled to status as a small entity and that the claim for small entity status asserted in the present patent application, Serial No. 10/767,871, filed January 29, 2004, is hereby withdrawn.

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